

# HAWAI'I COVID-19 JOINT INFORMATION CENTER DAILY NEWS DIGEST

May 5, 2020

#### Governor's Office:

## Stay-at-Home Order Becomes Safer-at-Home

At a late morning news briefing Governor David Ige announced that the phased approach to reopening Hawai'i's economy is beginning. He said, "Today was another victory in the battle with COVID-19. Only four positive cases were reported. This makes more than two-weeks of single-digit daily new cases. We have some of the lowest numbers of cases in the country. And we have flattened the curve. The Governor's 7<sup>th</sup> Supplementary Proclamation allows people to leave their homes to patronize certain businesses and activities. To reflect the new approach in the COVID-19 response, the **Stay-at-Home** order is now referred to as the **Safer-at-Home** order.

#### **Achievement of Key Metrics Allows for Stabilization Phase**

The governor has often repeated the key metrics Hawai'i would need to see before re-opening the economy. A declining trend in COVID-19 cases, sufficient healthcare capacity (including enough in case of a surge), and a robust testing and contact tracing program, are the key metrics that have now been met. The Stabilization Phase (phase 1) allows for a reduction in restrictions for businesses classified as low risk from a health perspective. An important consideration was the ability of businesses to keep both employees and customers safe and their ability to follow social distancing guidelines.

#### Phase One Businesses/Activities That Can Re-Open Effective May 7 at 12:01 a.m.

- Non-food agriculture (landscape, floral, ornamental)
- Astronomical observatories and support facilities
- Car washes
- Pet Groomers
- Non-profits
- Retail businesses & services (including apparel, electronics, and shopping malls)
- Wholesale and warehousing operations

#### What's Next?

The re-openings announced in the 7<sup>th</sup> Supplemental Proclamation are in addition to previously announced openings (florists, certain real estate services, car dealerships, automated & mobile service providers, services provided one-on-one, and golf courses) and Governor Ige expects to announce additions in the coming weeks. He explained, "We are looking at the timing and guidelines for re-opening businesses such as restaurants, personal services including hair stylists, and places of worship." He said the health of our community continues to be the overarching priority, so Hawai'i does not experience a severe recurrence of coronavirus. If there is a second wave of COVID-19, some restrictions may be reinstated.

#### **The Governor's Continued Encouragement**

Governor Ige said the re-openings are the result of community-wide vigilance and commitment to social distancing. He cautioned again, "We are not out of the woods yet. Keep up social distancing. Wash your hands and wear your masks. Keep in mind, that while we encourage people to patronize the newly re-opened businesses and activities, people are safest at home.

#### **Department of Health:**

#### **Four New COVID-19 Cases Reported**

Four additional cases of coronavirus being reported by DOH are all Honolulu adults, bringing the total positive case count in Hawai'i to 625. Note the following: One county of diagnosis was re-categorized from Hawai'i island to O'ahu. One case's residence changed from out-of-state to O'ahu.

Hawai'i COVID-19 Counts as of 12:00 noon, May 5, 2020

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Island of Diagnosis	New Cases	Reported since 2/28/2020 (including new cases)	Total Released from Isolation					
Oʻahu	4	404	377					
Hawai'i	-1	74	62					
Maui	0	114	90					
Kaua'i	0	21	20					
Molokaʻi	0	2	2					
Lanaʻi	0	0	0					
Residents Diagnosed outside HI	1	10						
Unknown**	0	0						
Total	4	625						
Total released from isolation			551					
Deaths	0	17						

<sup>\*\*</sup> Refers to positive cases that have an unknown county of diagnosis at the time of this report. As more information becomes available for these cases, they are assigned to the proper County of Diagnosis. A negative number indicates the number of previously unknown cases that have now been assigned to a county.

**Laboratory\* Testing Data** 

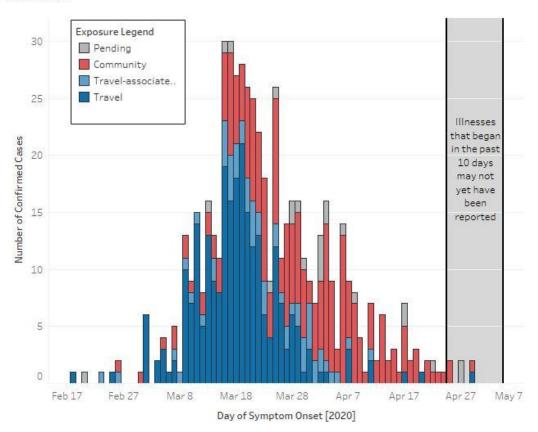
Total Number of Individuals Tested	Positive	Negative	
by Clinical and State Laboratories			
34,526**	623	33,883	

<sup>\*</sup>Electronic Laboratory Reporting \*\*20 test results were inconclusive.

For more tables please visit: https://health.hawaii.gov/docd/

## Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by Exposure, Hawaii 2020 (N=559)

Data as of May 4, 2020. All data is preliminary and some cases may not yet be included because of missing or pending data.



#### **Hawai'i Tourism Authority:**

#### **Airports Seeing Upticks in Visitors**

Hawai'i's airports are continuing to see an uptick in passenger arrivals. Yesterday, 845 passengers arrived in Hawai'i. This includes 246 visitors and 310 residents. The following table shows passenger numbers coming into the state. The following table in the DBEDT section shows interisland travel.

#### AIRPORT ARRIVALS FOR MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020

	KONA	MAUI	O'AHU	LĪHU'E	TOTAL
Crew		13	130		143
Intended New Resident		3	84		87
Resident		41	269		310
Transit			59		59
Visitor	1	25	220		246
GRAND TOTAL	1	82	762	0	845
Flights	1	4	11	0	16

https://www.hawaiitourismauthority.org/media/4556/050520-passenger-count-press-release.pdf

#### **Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism**

## INTERISLAND AIRPORT ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES FOR MAY 2, 2020 Arriving Airport

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Departing Airport	HNL	KOA	ITO	OGG	LIH	MMK	LNY	JHM	MUE	Total
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Honolulu (HNL)	0	73	73	61	44	12	6	1	0	270
Kona (KOA)	144	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	146
Hilo (ITO)	129	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	129
Kahului (OGG)	167	2	0	0	0	13	3	0	0	185
Līhu'e (LIH)	85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85
Moloka'i (MMK)	28	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	36
Lāna'i (LYN)	14	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	16
Kapalua (JHM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Waimea (MUE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Arriving	567	75	73	73	44	25	9	1	0	867

https://dbedt.hawaii.gov/economic/covid19/

### **Department of Land and Natural Resources:**

Select Hawai'i State Parks Re-Opening for Hiking and Beach Access But Not Gatherings The DLNR Division of State Parks is re-opening select parks and monuments across the state with an emphasis on social distancing and exercise, and continued restrictions on gatherings of any sort. The announcement is in line with Governor Ige's emergency rules, as well as advice from the Hawai'i Dept. of Health.

DLNR Chair Suzanne Case commented, "The department is excited to cautiously reintroduce State Park access to Hawai'i's residents in this unprecedented time of virtually no out-of-state visitors. However, conventional park activities such as parties, gatherings, picnics, setting up on the beach, and camping are still not allowed. This public use is strictly for mobile activities such as hiking and ocean use to support our residents physical and emotional health during the stay at home mandate. For this reason, certain frequently visited parks and access to them remain closed."

"It is critical that people honor this intent and follow all social distancing practices and park area closures to eliminate gathering. State Parks strongly encourages residents stay within their own ahupua'a and neighborhoods rather than traveling across an island to another community's remote State Park. Revenue losses require that certain gates remain closed. Inappropriate behavior and changing public health circumstances may require that certain parks be closed again, such as what has recently occurred at some parks on the mainland," added Curt Cottrell, DLNR Division of State Parks Administrator.

See the list of open and closed State Parks at: https://dlnr.hawaii.gov/dsp/